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SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well, maybe I...I'll ask Senator Byars these questions then.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Byars, will you yield to a question?

SENATOR BYARS: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Byars, is what is being offered here the committee amendments or something different from the committee amendments and also different from the green copy?

SENATOR BYARS: The committee amendment replaced the green copy and the committee amendment has been replaced by a revised version that dealt with more technicalities.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And that's what's being offered to this bill?

SENATOR BYARS: That is correct.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Byars, I can't support it. But let me ask you some questions first from the committee amendment, and you won't necessarily have to read it, where it says...what it says in these definitions is that this container that the corpse will be in must be rigid enough for handling with ease. What does rigid mean? Does that mean a box of some kind?

SENATOR BYARS: Yes. I think so, Senator Chambers. That would be...that would be my feeling. Something rigid as lath wood.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But it's not flexible or collapsible, such as a body bag?

SENATOR BYARS: That is correct.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Why could not a body bag be used?

SENATOR BYARS: I can't...I...it's my understanding that that just isn't part of their regular procedure.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: The ones who brought this are those who make a living burning up corpses, is that true?